

# Vonnie Griffin Wins First Place in Designing Contest

A model with designs—such is the brief description applicable to Miss Vonnie Griffin, 19-year-old sophomore student of El Camino College, who recently designed, sewed, and modeled the winning sports outfit in the Adler of America contest.

Originally entered in three categories of the contest, Miss Griffin submitted designs for daytime, sport, and evening wear. Her entries in the sport and evening divisions were among the 12 finalists from the 500 original designs of college students throughout the state.

Winning designs were named at a luncheon held on the lawn of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles under the joint sponsorship of the California Home Economist's Assn. and Adler of America.

Hai C. Laudeman, a senior at UCLA and a graduate of Torrance High school, was named winner of the daytime category, entering a beige linen dress with cocoa suede belt and narrow trim. He was also winner of the Sweptstakes award.

In the formal group, Marilyn Snow, a senior at UCLA, and Joseph Henry of Pomona College tied for first place.

Miss Griffin's winning entry, a purple satin cotton swim suit in sheath style, is a one-piece creation with crowned strapless neckline. With it, she designed a high-necked, high waisted sheath jacket of the same material and a boat-necked fly-away plaid popover. The popover may be worn alone with the suit or over the jacket.

Miss Griffin started designing in early high school years "because I couldn't find patterns of clothes that fit or that I liked," she says, crediting Art Instructor Charles Bluske of El Camino for much of her success.

For her winning award she received a portable automatic sewing machine, \$50 in cash, and entertainment at a Hollywood night club. She also made a television appearance with other winners.

Miss Griffin lives with her parents and her sister, Karen, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Griffin,



"SEW" NICE . . . Vonnie Griffin, El Camino college sophomore, designed, sewed and modeled the sports outfit in which she poses above in a first place victory in competition with students representing California junior colleges, colleges, and universities.

at 234 Paseo De Las Delicias, Redondo Beach. She was born in Palmdale and lived in Lancaster until 1952, when the family moved to its present home. She is a graduate of Torrance high school and an art major.

Miss Griffin plans to continue her education in an art school or college on graduation from El Camino.

# Soroptimist Nominees Are Submitted

Charlotte Lukes, chairman of the nominating committee of Soroptimist International, presented the following slate of nominees for election to be held at the next meeting of the club May 24: Eddie Walther, president; Mary Limberger and Ruth Smith, vice president; Kay Doss and Mabel Sewall, second vice president; Winona Ellis and Margaret Wooley, recording secretary; Norma Higgenbotham, corresponding secretary; Laila Bowen and Margaret Harris, treasurer; and Edith Ennis and Margaret Neff, directors.

At this regular business meeting held Monday at 18301 S. Evelyn Ave., Edith Ennis president, gave a report on the regional conference held in Pasadena April 22-24.

At this time the by-laws and constitution committee was given by Winona Ellis and Charlotte Lukes reported on the UNESCO program.

# Party Fetes Una Brunskill

Miss Una Mae Brunskill, whose wedding to Richard Naulty will be a lovely event of June 4, was complimented recently at a bridal shower given by Mrs. J. S. Weber, 316 Calle Miramar.

Appropriate bridal games were played after which Miss Brunskill was presented with a shower of gifts. The party colors, pink and white, were carried out in the refreshments served from the dining table which was centered with an arrangement of pink carnations.

Party guests were: Mmes. Margarite McCortney, Otto Rande, Harvey Fielding Margaret Matthews, Edith Gallaroto, Lois Brunskill, Ben Franklin, Ed Scott, John Griffith, Blanch Gasser, Olive Newton, Lillian Weber, Marion Welch, Lee Rivard, Ralph Joekel, E. Steinbaugh, Willard Schlenker, R. M. Jones, E. C. Fraser, Mary Bowski, L. Cera Rice, Kate Naulty, J. S. Weber.

Others were Misses Ellen A. Beller, Nellie Thistle and Hazel Colwell.

# Eastern Star Chapter Has Colorful Birthday Party

A Matron and Patron Birthday Party was given by the Torrance Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, at its meeting Thursday evening. The East was decorated with a large swing holding a doll against a background of yellow ranunculus carrying out the 1955 colors of yellow and green.

Chapter was opened with the Worthy Matron Phyllis Pevelevy and Worthy Patron Earl Wells presiding. All the other stations were filled by visiting worthy matrons and worthy patrons. Associate matron, Stella Reidl, associate patron Cecil Dowling, secretary, Ray Hollingsworth; treasurer, Bill Gallaroto; conductress, Virginia Baker; associate conductress, Jo Parsons; chaplain, Merle Savage; marshal, Paul Burns; organist, Martha Flukes, organist of San Pedro Chapter; Adah, Patsy Weiss; Ruth, Doris Savage; Esther Bloomb; Martha, Ellen Zaak; Electa, Nora Levington; warder, Yna Anderson; sentinel, Leslie Baker; prompter, Cliff Cox, flag bearer, Jim McKay.

Deputy Grand Matrons Mae Winston and Myrna Sams were escorted to the East.

Those who served Grand Chapter as Deputies in 1954, 1953 and 1952 were escorted to the East and presented. Chapter was closed with Worthy Matron Phyllis Pevelevy giving the Farewell.

At this time a Past Grand Matron, Lois Blodgett Tamba, arrived and was escorted to the East and given grand honors.

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of the District made a clever presentation to the worthy Matron and Patron carrying out the theme of the evening about the USS Helena.

Those who just returned from the far east.

V. L. Planz, chief machinist mate, father of Jan Planz, girl scout of troop 719 and Velora Planz, Brownie of troop 635 took the scouts on a tour of the ship.

Thirty Brownies and Scouts made the trip accompanied by Mrs. Mary Smily, leader of troop 1719 and co-leader Mrs. Marilyn Braker. Others were Mrs. Ruth Planz, Brownie leader of troop 635, Tom Smiley, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Max, Mr. and Mrs. George Baker, Mrs. McCutcheon and Mrs. Dorothy Vaide.

Saturday night, April 23, Post 219X held its monthly social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Dumont, 2765 Arlington Ave., where they enjoyed a wonderful evening of swimming in the private pool, dancing and a barbecue.

Assisting the Dumonts were Explorer Advisor William Sells and Mrs. Selma Sells, Mrs. Tommy Wilkes, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Canning.

The following Explorers and their dates present were: Fred Cameron and Barbara Rispoli; James Cameron and Betty Rispoli; Frank Montez and Barbara Wagonman; Chuck Schauswecker and Joan Revell; John Delsigne and Margie Griffin; Bob Chapman and Jean McNeil; Bill Sells and Ginny Sandstrom; Jack McNeil and Sandra Canning.

Tom and Gerry Wilkes joined in the fun.

Assistant Explorer Advisor of Post 219X, Jack Canning, and Senior Crew Leader, Explorer Jack McNeil, were among the guests of the Los Angeles Area Council for the Junior Leader Appreciation Event, which was a Special Activity and Barbecue served by the Philmont Junior Leaders, including Don Kelley of Post 219X, at Corriganville Movie Ranch—the Old West's Last Frontier—located in the San Fernando Valley, Saturday April 23.

Arena Show of trick riding, a Western Movie hold-up scene and a great variety show were staged by "Crash" Corrigan.

A district get-together so that all could get to know their District Leaders better was included in the day's activity.

Cub Scout Pack 723C met April 22 at the Torrance Elementary auditorium with Clubmaster Howard Stittsworth and assistant clubmaster John Cooper in charge.

Den 2 opened the meeting and inspection followed. During the inspection the parents heard a talk on scouting by Den Mother Violet Irvine and committee chairman Les Pollock.

Receiving Bobcat pins were David Harrison, Ronnie Baima, Thomas Brase, John Cook, Kenneth Peterson and Kenneth Howland.

Boys in Den 1 were: Everett Manns and Robert Battaglia, wolf badges; Rodney White, 2 silver arrows and dinner stripes; Tommy Cooper, silver arrows; Terry O'Brien, dinner stripes; Donnie Corle and Tommy Denman, 1 year pins. In Den 2 and in Den 3 Mike Venable, dinner stripes and Rodney McGrown, assistant dinner stripes.

Den 4, Edward Foster, assistant dinner stripes, silver and gold arrows; Harry Brown, dinner stripes; Jimmy Dawson, gold arrow, 3 silver arrows and graduated into Webelos.



ENTERTAINING THE PTA . . . children of the first and second grades of the Fern Greenwood school presented a play at the PTA meeting held Thursday evening, April 21. Shown watching Little Boy Blue, Tim Lehr, blow his horn, are, from left, Sharilyn Floyd, Jacqueline Megow, Kay Roberts, Donna Hedrick, Robin Bingham, Deborah Van Dyck and Tommy Hill.

# PTA Activities Evelyn Carr

Glenn Eipper, with his educated yo-yo, will be the master of ceremonies at the ice cream social to be held at 259th Place School on May 13. Sponsored by the PTA, the social will be held on the school grounds from 6 to 8 p.m. Mmes. Raul Gerhart and J. W. Creager, in charge of entertainment, have lined up some fine entertainment. A square dance group will perform. Also dancing will be three of the school groups from the May Day dances. Mmes. R. P. Boderman and C. E. Asplittle are getting some Scout entertainment.

Mrs. W. E. Zell, PTA president, is making arrangements for the ice cream. Getting pies and cakes to sell are Mmes. J. O. Powers and C. L. Wilson. Mrs. J. M. Gasser will be in charge of the punch and Mrs. E. G. Jackson will make the coffee. Mrs. Lloyd Adams will be there to make scones, cotton candy and popcorn. Mrs. H. B. McDonald is recruiting help for Mrs. Lloyd Adams.

The proceeds will be divided 90 per cent to the school and 10 per cent to the PTA.

Science, as taught to grade school students, was the highlight of the program of the last meeting of the 259th Place PTA. The classes of John Wren and Arthur Anderson conducted a series of experiments relating to air pressure, oxygen and nourishment of plants. Students participating in the experiments were Vickie Moody, Theresa Grohs, Billy Andrews, Janie Morgan, Jack Stanley, Gordon Gasser, Kathy Oberst, Sophie Glusac, Kathy Anderson, Janet Patterson, Joan Sisco, Gayle Miller, Ronald Prann, Susan Courtney and Linda Wilson. A film was shown concerning the discipline of a child's life and how the parent can help the child adjust to sharing a life with other children. Mrs. Helen Shuler of the faculty narrated.

During the business meeting, the plan for the ice cream social on May 13 was approved by the association. Also approved was a recommendation to give three honorary life memberships at the June meeting.

Mrs. W. E. Zell, president, announced that \$173.67 was made at the recent paper drive. Gordon Gasser of the student body accepted a check for \$81.36 for the school's share of the proceeds.

Miss Frances Dastarac, school principal, announced a dance festival to observe Public Schools' Week to be held on Friday, April 29 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on the school grounds. The theme will be "Our Heritage in Dance," and the public is invited. She also announced that based on a series of tests of grade school students in all of the Los Angeles school system, Ronald Williams placed among the first ten students in spelling. Ronald is in Loren White's room and has attended 25th Place school since kindergarten. Parents were urged to send the 10 cents per child donation to add to the school's quota for the Health Center. The school is \$38 short of its \$84 quota.

The mothersingers' group sang a hymn for the inspiration. All those in the group were Mmes. Katherine Mulhern, Margaret Allen, Marie Long, Lois Bowling, Irma Eipper, Alice Torgerson and Nell Irvine. Mrs. Leah Stanton accompanied the group.

Dr. Phyllis Wright from the Torrance Health Center and two nurses gave 232 polo shots to first and second grade children. The next inoculation will be held May 11. PTA mothers assisting were Mmes. G. K. Oberst, J. W. Creager, Raul Gerhart, C. L. Wilson, C. W. Shepard and W. E. Zell. Mrs. J. O. Power made coffee for the workers.

# Stork Shower For Mrs. Todd

Mrs. Jack Todd and her new daughter, Kathy Lee, were the honor guests at a stork shower and party on Friday given at the home of Mrs. Roy Whitum with Mrs. Glenn Armstrong as co-hostess.

Pink and white were carried out in the decorations and a large pink and white cake was on the table. Pink roses floated in the punch bowl.

Games were played under the direction of Mrs. John Moore and Mrs. Clarence Vogt.

Mrs. Todd was then presented a shower of gifts for her daughter.

Others attending the party were Mmes. B. Hotchkiss, Vernon Rose, Earl Jansen, Phil Osborn, Don Yager, Charles Shoemaker, Richard Barrett, V. Whistler, and John Moore. Unable to attend but sending gifts were Mmes. John Pollock, John Beall, and David Whistler.

# Lutheran Guild Meets Tuesday

Woman's Christian Service Guild of the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection will meet Tuesday, May 10, at 8 p.m. at the church, 380 Palos Verdes. The program will be in charge of the Life Membership and in Memorial department, which is a division of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Mrs. Ruth Peterson is chairman of this department.

Mrs. Alvin Clark will lead the Bible study from the book of Luke. Hostesses for the evening are Mrs. Norman Milde, Mrs. A. L. Metzger and Mrs. Richard Wheeler.

# Paper Drive

Madrona PTA will sponsor their paper and rag drive of the year tomorrow. Papers and rags may be delivered to the school and those not having transportation are asked to call the school.

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# The Stork Story

March 23 is the date Dale Arnold Lincoln will celebrate his birthday. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Lincoln, Jr. of 1229 Cota Ave., he was born at 4:38 p. m. at Torrance Memorial Hospital and weighed 8 lbs. 7 ozs. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Lincoln, Sr. and Mrs. John L. Shellman as well as great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Campbell of Los Angeles.

A 6lb. 2 oz. baby daughter was welcomed March 23 at 1:41 p. m. at Torrance Memorial Hospital by Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Silva, Sr. of 205 E. 220 St. Her playmates will call her Cheryl Ann as will brother Walter C. Jr., grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Antonio G. Silva of Honolulu and Mrs. Mary Enwright of Torrance.

Fourth child for Mr. and Mrs. James Wiseman, Jr. of 2414 W. 236 St. is Sheryl Ann who was born March 23 at 10:58 a. m. at Torrance Memorial Hospital. The 8 lb. 9 oz. miss is making the acquaintance of sisters, Jacquelyn, 4, Mary Ellen 2 and brother Roger 3. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Singleton of Torrance; Mr. and Mrs. James Wiseman, Sr., of New Albany, Indiana.

It's a girl for the Joseph F. Markley of 2430 W. 231st St., Torrance. The little miss was born March 23, 9:25 p.m. in Torrance Memorial Hospital. Tipping the scales at 5 lbs. 12 ozs. at birth, she will be known to her playmates as Dayna Danille. Her brother is Troy David. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ryan of Lomita and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mackley of South Gate, Calif.

Rose Ann Estrella is the new 5 lb. 7 oz. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence F. Yadao of Gardena, Calif. She has a brother, Lawrence Rene, 16 months. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Claudio B. Robat of Gardena and Rev. and Mrs. Emilio C. Yadao of Hawaii.

Greeting their first child, a daughter, Mary Ellen, who joined the family of Mr. and Mrs. William Armstrong of 460 Palos Verdes Blvd., March 12 at 10:39 p.m. She was born March 12 and weighed in at 7 lbs. 15 ozs. Massachusetts grand parents are Mrs. Franzanna O'Neil and Mrs. and Mrs. A. Armstrong.

Denise Diane and her brother, Hal, age 1 year will celebrate their birthdays just one day apart. She was born March 13 at 1:07 a.m. at Torrance Memorial Hospital. Her brother was born March 12, the previous year. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Snyder of 2214 Cabrillo Ave. Grandparents of the 9 lb. 2 oz. infant are Mr. and Mrs. Van Geheysky, Mr. and

Mrs. Hal Snyder, all of Torrance.

Sixth son for Mr. and Mrs. Artemio Duarte of 2222 W. 203rd St., Torrance, is Miguel Joseph, born March 2 at 9:49 p.m. at Torrance Memorial Hospital. At home he joins five brothers and two sisters, Alice, Artemio, Hector, Janier, Henry, Martha and Albert. Grandfather is Lauro Torres of Torrance. The new arrival weighed 8 lbs 4 1/2 ozs.

Wayne Stephen is the new son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald W. Shurte of Redondo. He was born March 7, 9:38 a.m., at Torrance Memorial Hospital. He joins sister, Diane Catherine, 2 1/2 and Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Chress of Barstow, California, and Glen Shurte of Los Angeles.

Second child for Mr. and Mrs. Grant W. Lane of 1503 W. 214 St., Torrance, is David Lee who was born March 6 at 4:06 p.m., at Torrance Memorial Hospital. He has a sister, Mary Margaret. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James E. O'Shea of Torrance and Mr. and Mrs. Howard E. Grider of Crestline, Calif.

First child of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Loudermilk of 1652 W. 204th St., is a boy born March 12, at 7:17 a.m. in Torrance Memorial Hospital. Jimmy Lee weighed 8 lbs. at birth and will be grandson to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Bodiford, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Delancy, all of Torrance.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Rhynsburger, of 329 S. Pacific Coast Hwy., welcomed their second daughter, Sandra Sue at 4:21 p.m., March 13, at Torrance Memorial Hospital. The busy 9 lb. 3 oz. miss has a sister, Kathryn Louise, 15 month. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Hedrick of Redondo Beach, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Rhynsburger of Vista, Calif.

Marvin David is the second son for Mr. and Mrs. Marvin K. Herd of 4736 W. 173rd St. Weighing 6 lbs. 7 ozs. at birth, he was born March 16 at Torrance Memorial Hospital. Roger Kenneth is his 2 1/2 year old brother. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Vaser Stringfellow of Lawndale, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin B. Herd of Talladega, Ala.

Roger Murl brings the third fruit count up to four in the household of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Freeman, 2817 Sonoma Ave., Torrance. Born on St. Patrick's Day, at 6:02 p.m., he weighed 8 lbs. 7 1/2 ozs. and joins sister, Connie, 6, Stephen, 5, and Christ, 2 at home. His father is an airplane pilot and grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Freeman of Little Rock, Ark. Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Bauchom of Tulsa, Okla.

# SCOUT TRAILS

Pack 733C will meet Friday evening May 13 at 7 p.m. at the North Torrance School cafeteria. Cubmaster Richard Hayes urges all cubs and parents to be present as a number of awards will be presented and new cubs introduced.

The committee is planning an outing, place and time to be announced at the meeting. Cubs are busy selling tickets for the Scoutarama to be held June 3 and 4 at the Los Angeles Coliseum.

Scout Troop No. 1006 held a Box Social on Friday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the YWCA. Mmes. Albert Fredrickson, Carl Backlund, and Frank Otterstein were in charge of the event and had each dad guess his daughter's Box from a club. The top prize was \$100.

The mothers and dads competed in games as well as brothers and sisters. Dancing to the latest records was the highlight of the evening.

The girls are under the leadership of Mmes. P. M. Crossman and Dan Stanton and are sponsored by Howard Wood Park.

Among the families in attendance were Crossman, Stanton, Fredrickson, Otterstein, Backlund, U. G. Tidmarsh, Thos. Hinkley, William Friend, Roy Gore, Custer Hawley, Clarence Nelson, Nyle Lawrence, Sam Martin, Hursel Miranda, John Tardichi, Norman Raddi, S. J. Takeuchi, Emmett Wyck.

Numerous activities have kept Girl Scout Troop 1719 which is sponsored by the Torrance Mounted Police busy for the last month.

Troop held their birthday party on Wednesday, March 30 at the Christian Church with all their leaders. Mmes. Thomas Smiley, William Breaker, and R. G. Coleman, present. April 16, they attended "Cinemas" in Hollywood and on Saturday, April 23, enjoyed the mysteries of the Universe at the Griffith Planetarium. A month course at the Edison Co. in Redondo Beach will be concluded on Thursday, April 28, when they complete the requirements for Cook Proficiency Badge.

The members of Pleidesa Meeting prepared a tuna rarebit to demonstrate to their leaders what they have learned from Mrs. Barbara Duffy of the Edison Co.

Mrs. R. G. Coleman's patrol saved money for archery equipment by making and selling divinity candy. Mrs. Coleman skilled with the bow and arrow.

Cub Pack 201-C sponsored by Madrona School PTA held its monthly pack meeting Friday April 15 in the school cafeteria. Den 2 opened the meeting with the ceremony of Mike Holter, a transferee, was welcomed as a new member.

The following boys advanced: Jonathan Hadley, Harold Peters, Gordon Davis to Wolf; Mike Burke and Mickey Morriarty to Bear.

Gold arrows were awarded to Harold Peters, Mike Burke, Mickey Morriarty, Robert Emma and Billy Barceaf.

Silver arrows went to Harold Peters, Jimmy King, Steven Fullers, Barton Ottosen, Barceaf Bruce, Norman and Wayne Thomas.

In keeping with the Forestry theme for April the boys sang "Smoke the Bear" followed by a movie. Refreshments were served by Dens 1 and 6.

Girl Scout Troop 1719 and Brownie Troop 635 enjoyed a visit to Terminal Island Sunday afternoon, April 3 when they

# Party Given By Delphians

Mrs. H. M. Davis, president of the Kappa Chapter of Delphian Society, opened her home at 162 Paseo de las Delicias recently to members of the group for a barbecue-luncheon. The affair was planned as a farewell party for Mrs. Glen Walker of Redondo Beach, secretary for the organization. Mrs. Walker plans to return to her former home in Indiana.

Those attending the luncheon were: Mmes. Milford Baumman, R. E. Beecher, P. W. Cockrell, Warren Hamilton, Lloyd Jones, Oran Layman, D. J. Quintan, Walter G. Smith, J. M. Stuart, Fred Sullivan Jr., Gordon Walker, H. A. Muldoon, Paul Harestad, A. L. Poynt, Robert Marston, W. P. Tsambis, and Florence McKown.

# MOTHERS CLUB

Mothers Club of Den 3 Pack 225C elected officers at its meeting Thursday April 28 at the home of Mrs. Louise Funk. Mrs. C. Stevenson will serve as chairman; C. Randall, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. C. Stevenson, treasurer.

Plans were made for summer activities. The club will meet every two months.

Other mothers present were Mmes. A. Hunstad, G. Blyer, H. Engelbrecht, E. Alves, and A. Venable.